Docket No.: 067471-0124 <u>PATENT</u>

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer No.: 53080

Shinji YOSHIDA, et al. : Confirmation No.: 3837

Application No.: 10/589,619 : Group Art Unit: 2884

Filed: August 16, 2006 : Examiner: Michael C. Bryant

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## **AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop – Amendment Honorable Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 21, 2008 having a shortened statutory period of response set to expire on November 21, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows: